

**JANUARY 2024** 

### **BRIDGE CENTER FACILITY HIGHLIGHTS**







Rain Will Bring Flowers Foundation: Mental Game at LSU



ICARE 2024 Prevention Summit

In 2024, The Bridge Center for Hope is continuing our campaign on increasing awareness about mental health and substance use disorders. Each month, the Bridge Center collaborates with community partners to provide resources that will educate the community on crisis services. In January, the Bridge Center had the privilege of participating in several community events designed to provide information and resources. These events provided a platform to showcase the Bridge Center's services and engage in meaningful conversations about mental health, substance use treatment and prevention.

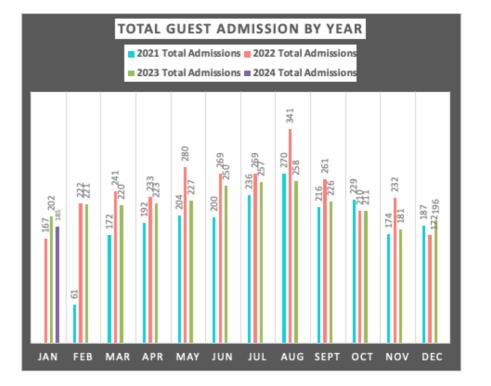
In January, the facility received 193 guest presentations, with 185 admissions. There were 163 unique guests, with a monthly readmission rate of 17%.

(If served within 30 days of discharge, guests are considered readmitted.)

There have been 8,304 guest presentations since the facility's opening, with 7,895 admissions.

Below is a comparison of admissions by month and year.







#### **January Demographics**

In January, 136 residents from East Baton Rouge Parish received treatment, with an additional 33 individuals coming from outside the parish. Since the opening of the facility, a combined total of 6,602 residents from East Baton Rouge Parish and 1,277 individuals from outside the parish have received services.

The Bridge Center accepts payments in all forms. In January, 81% of guests were insured through Medicaid, while 16% were covered by the Bridge Center for Hope. Medicare and private insurers covered the remaining 3%.

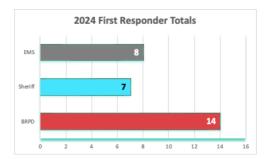
(Parish funding only applies to residents of East Baton Rouge Parish.)

In January, 85% of the guests were male, while the remaining 15% were female. Furthermore, the data revealed that 64% of the guests identified as black, 29% identified as white, and the remaining 7% were categorized as other.

Walk-ins remain the most common method of admission for guests, providing direct access. In January, there were a total of 156 direct entries, with 29 of them being escorted by first responders. The average response time for first responders remains consistently below 5 minutes, specifically at 2.41 minutes for January.

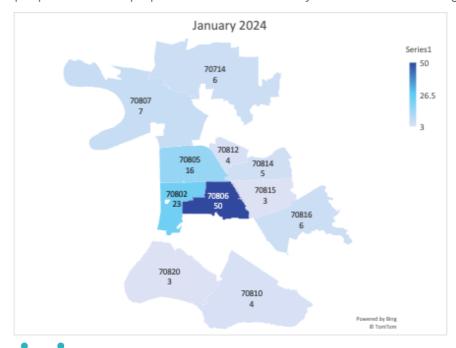
The graphic below shows the top three stats of first responders escorted by the department.





#### **Area Demographics**

The map represents the top zip codes served for January 2024 in East Baton Rouge Parish.





#### A Summary of Guests Seeking Treatment in October

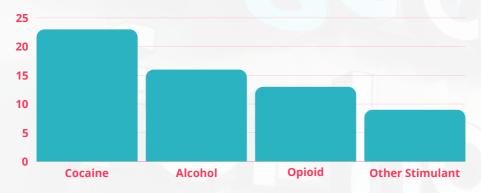
Out of the total guests (185 individuals) who sought treatment in January, 66% required mental health care, whereas 33% received treatment for substance use. Furthermore, over half of the guests seeking treatment (57%) had a dual diagnosis. For a detailed breakdown of the mental health and substance use services received in 2024, please refer to the accompanying pie chart.

Substance Use



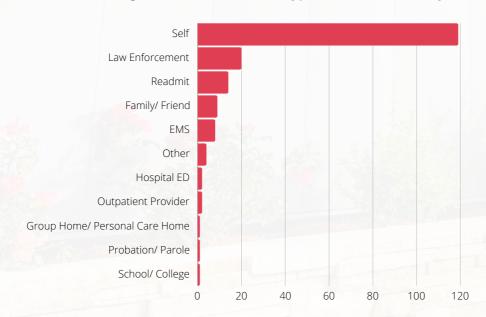
In January, the four substances that were most commonly treated were cocaine (38%), alcohol (26%), opioids (21%) and stimulants (15%).

30.5%



The chart depicts treatment by substance type and the treatment obtained for substance use during 2024.

Due to Bridge Center's no-wrong-door policy, everyone over the age of 18 is welcome to seek assistance, regardless of entrance type. Below is January 's admittance sources.





The top dispositions (discharges) among units are listed below.

Top Dispositions	23-Hour Observation Unit (ALOS 19.90 hrs)	Percentage
1	Transfer to Inpatient	43%
2	Transfer to Substance Use Facility	33%
3	Against Medical Advice	6%
4	Homeless Shelter	6%
5	Home	6%

Top Dispositions	Crisis Stabilization Unit (ALOS 3.05 Days)	Percentage
1	Home	34%
2	Substance Use Treatment Ctr	30%
2	Homeless Shelter	14%
4	Group Home	10%
5	Transfered to another treatment facility	6%

All guests are discharged with a behavioral and physical health appointment.